

Remarks

Amendments to the Claims

Claims 1 and 18-22 are amended to correct clerical errors. The corrections do not add new matter.

Information Disclosure Statement

The Office Action notes that a copy of the Chung reference cited in the IDS filed on April 1, 2005 is not in the file. A copy of Chung accompanies this paper.

Objection to Claim 5

Claim 5 is objected to because it depends from canceled claim 3. Claim 5 is amended to depend from claim 1. Please withdraw the objection.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 112 ¶ 2

Claims 1, 5-15, 17, 18, 23, 26, and 30-32 are rejected as indefinite under 35 U.S.C. § 112 ¶ 2.

First, the Office Action contends that the recitations of “TRAC*01,” in claims 1 and 18 are indefinite because the terminology refers to human alleles, whereas claim 25 recites a mouse TCR. Claim 1 is amended to recite human variable and constant region sequences. Claim 25 is canceled.

Second, Applicants thank the Examiner for pointing out the clerical errors in claims 1 and 18. Those clerical errors and similar errors in claims 19-22 have been corrected.

Finally, the Office Action notes that the recitation “said non-native disulfide bond” in claims 1 and 18 lacks antecedent basis. Claims 1 and 18 have been amended to recite “a non-native disulfide bond.”

Please withdraw the rejections.

Obviousness-Type Double Patenting Rejection

Claims 1, 5-14, 17, 18, 23, 26, and 30-32 are rejected as obvious over claims 1-14 and 20 of U.S. Patent 7,329,731 in view of WO 99/18129 and WO 99/60120. A Terminal Disclaimer over the ‘731 patent accompanies this paper. Please withdraw the rejection.

Provisional Obviousness-Type Double Patenting Rejections

The Office Action makes the following provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejections:

- claims 1, 5-14, 17, 18, 23, 26, and 30-32 over claims 1, 2, and 9-20 of Serial No. 11/667,276 in view of WO 99/18129 and WO 99/60120;
- claims 1, 5-15, 17, 18, 23, 26, and 30-32 over claims 1, 2, 10-19, and 31 of Serial No. 11/664,214 in view of WO 99/60120;
- claims 1, 5-14, 17, 18, 23, 26, and 30-32 over claims 1, 86, 88, and 89 of Serial No. 10/532,879 in view of WO 99/18129 and WO 99/60120; and
- claims 1, 5-15, 17, 18, 23, 26, and 30-32 over claims 1-23, 26-35, 40-43, 54, and 55 of Serial No. 10/535,965 in view of WO 99/60120.

Applicants request that these rejections be held in abeyance until the claims of this application are otherwise allowable.

Respectfully submitted,
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